#### § 121.1

# **Subpart A—General Provisions**

## §121.1 Applicability of part.

Except as otherwise specifically herein provided, the regulations in this part apply only to vessels, floating equipment and motorboats owned or operated by the Panama Canal Commission or by the United States or any of its agencies operating in Panama Canal waters.

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### §121.2 Definitions.

As used in this part, the following terms have the meanings indicated:

- (a) Vessel means any vessel as defined in §111.3 other than a motorboat as defined in this section.
- (b) Motorboat means any vessel not more than 20 meters (65 feet) in length propelled by machinery except tugboats and towboats. The word "motorboat" includes a boat temporarily or permanently equipped with a detachable motor. Motorboats are classed as follows:

Class A—Any motorboat less than 7 meters (23 feet) in length.

Class B—Any motorboat 7 meters (23 feet) or over and less than 12 meters (40 feet) in length.

Class C—Any motorboat 12 meters (40 feet) or over and less than 20 meters (65 feet) in length.

Class D—Any cayuco or piragua not more than 20 meters (65 feet) in length equipped with an outboard motor or motors operating in Madden or Catum Lakes

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# Subpart B—Inspection

VESSELS

# §121.41 Certificates of inspection.

(a) Certificates of inspection shall be issued for a period of 1 year to passenger vessels, vessels equipped with boilers, and vessels whose hull or machinery is, in the judgment of the Marine Safety Unit, in such condition as to require inspection annually.

(b) Certificates of inspection will normally be issued for 2 years to all vessels not covered by paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) Application shall be made by the owner or other responsible person for

inspection and issuance of a new certificate of inspection prior to expiration of the certificate.

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#### §121.42 Distribution of certificates.

Two copies of the certificate of inspection shall be retained on file by the Marine Safety Unit. The original and one copy shall be given to the master or owner of the vessel named therein.

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#### §121.43 Fee for inspection.

Before a certificate of inspection may be issued to any transiting vessel, or U.S. Government local craft, the Master or owner of such vessel or other responsible person shall pay to the Treasurer, Panama Canal Commission the fees established by the Canal authorities for inspection and examination and for the issuance of certificates.

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# § 121.44 Standards in inspection of hulls.

In the inspection of hulls of vessels, the rules promulgated by the American Bureau of Shipping or other recognized classification society respecting material and construction of hulls, except where otherwise provided for in this part shall be accepted as the standard.

# § 121.45 Drawings of new vessels to be furnished to the Marine Safety Unit

The owner or other responsible person, when applying for the first inspection to a new vessel, shall furnish the Marine Safety Unit the following drawings and prints for review prior to construction: Midship section, inboard profile, outboard profile, arrangement of decks and hatch details, capacity of double bottoms and fuel compartments, hull penetrations and shell connections, machinery installation, piping systems, lifesaving equipment, fire fighting equipment, electrical, general alarm, radio, and emergency light circuits, and such other drawings or prints as show the general construction of the vessel, including dimensions, spacing of frames, disposition of hull